



**Minutes of Trinity Cathedral Special Vestry Meeting
April 13, 2025 – 10:10 a.m.**

Present:

Vestry Members: Jeff Spiess, Sr. Warden; Beth Billings, Jr. Warden; John Chapman; Marie Curry; Martin Hermes; Diane Hexter; Audrey Hudak; Cynthia Ries; Marilyn Valencia; Antoinette Ponzio

Staff: The Very Rev. Bernard Owens, Dean

Guests: Dave Miano

Absent: Mark Biddlestone; Kim DeNero-Ackroyd; The Rev. Canon Adrienne Koch, Canon for Mission and Transformation; Melody Hart, Treasurer; Darrell Lausche, Clerk of Vestry

- The Vestry meeting was called to order at 10:12 a.m.
- Jeff Spiess led Vestry in the opening devotional.

Cathedral Hall Renovations

Reviewed proposal by MBC

- Reviewed deliverables
- Plan: design process together stakeholder input
- Takeaways:
 - This is design stage, including schedule, phasing of construction
 - Historian person is on staff
 - Cost: \$48,750
 - Additional services: brings to \$54K
 - Asking for \$65 to cover contingencies
 - If we go with this company, they are “design-build”, so if we decide we want to move forward after this stage, then we will be obliged to build with them
 - If we want “union people” and “minority

Jeff Spiess moved, “to enter into an agreement with MBC and allocate up to \$65K for such costs.” Cynthia Riess seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- Update on priest associate
 - In conversation for a particular person, working on agreement
 - Can’t be announced until the fall because the person is committed elsewhere until the fall and if we announce then we will lame-duck this person at their current location.
- ICE possibility – we do not have a contingency plan in case they show up at church
 - This is a topic that is worthy of discussion.

Closing Prayer

Dean Owens led Vestry in a closing prayer.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Next Vestry Meeting: April 22, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Marie Curry, Member of Vestry